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P&G Case No. 7721M

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

ROGER WILLIAM GUTWEIN, ET AL.

Serial No. 09/638,570 : Group Art Unit: 1761

Filed: August 14, 2000 : Examiner: A.J. Weier

For METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR UTILIZING DELAYED DILUTION,
MIXING AND FILTERING TO PROVIDE CUSTOMIZED VARIETIES OF
FRESH-BREWED COFFEE ON DEMAND

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 30, 2003 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

The Listing of the Claims is reflected beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.